

# From the Upper Chamber



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## Report for Wednesday, February 1, 2006

The eleventh day of the 2006 legislative session was called to order by Lieutenant Governor **Mark Taylor**.

Senator **Don Balfour** of the 9<sup>th</sup> stated that the journal had been read and was found to be correct.

Senate Bills 471-497; Senate Resolutions 760, 763, 764, 769 and 782; House Bills 494, 950, 1034-1039 1102, 1117-119 and House Resolution 1041 were read for the first time and assigned to their respective Committees.

Following the report of Standing Committees and the second reading of Senate Bills and Resolutions, the morning roll call was taken.

Lt. Gov. **Taylor** then recognized Sen. **Horacena Tate** of the 38<sup>th</sup> to lead the Senate in the Pledge of Allegiance. Sen. **Tate** introduced the *Chaplain of the Day*, Bishop **Lindsey Davis** of the North Georgia United Methodist Conference, who led the Senate in the daily devotional.

The Secretary then read SR 780. Without objection, it was adopted. President Pro Tempore **Eric Johnson** of the 1<sup>st</sup> and Sen. **David Adelman** of the 42<sup>nd</sup> spoke to the Resolution honoring Sen. **Terrell Starr** of the 44<sup>th</sup> for his service during World War II. **Sylvia Wygoda**, members of the Georgia Holocaust Commission and Holocaust survivors honored Sen. **Starr** with a statuette featuring the State Seal being carried by an American Bald Eagle.

The Secretary then read SR 745, which commends Honorable **Shoji Ogawa**, Consul General of Japan. Without objection, it was adopted. Sen. **Adelman** spoke to the Resolution and introduced Consul General **Ogawa** to the Senate, who thanked the Senate and spoke briefly concerning Japanese interests in Georgia.

The Secretary then read SR 665, which expresses regret at the passing of Specialist **Marcus Shawn Futrell**. Without objection, it was adopted. Sens. **Cecil Staton** of the 18<sup>th</sup> and **John Douglas** of the 17<sup>th</sup> spoke to the Resolution and held a moment of silence in honor of Specialist **Futrell** of Macon, who died as a result of injuries that he received in the Dhi Quar Province of Iraq.

Sen. **Dan Moody** of the 56<sup>th</sup> was recognized to introduce the *Doctor of the Day*, **Dr. Earl Grubbs**.

The Secretary then read SR 735, which commends the class of Youth Leadership Baldwin 2006. Without objection, it was adopted. Sen. **Johnny Grant** of the 25<sup>th</sup> spoke to the Resolution and introduced members of the group, which is a program of the Milledgeville-Baldwin County Chamber of Commerce and Leadership Baldwin Alumni. It provides an invaluable learning experience for the future leaders of Baldwin County

Sen. **Robert Brown** of the 26<sup>th</sup> took the well on a Point of Personal Privilege to speak to the Senate about the light agenda before the Senate on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of the session.

There were no unanimous consents or motions to withdraw and commit.

Privileged Resolutions 742, 743, 748-759, 761, 762, 765-768, 770-779, 781, 783 and 784 were read and adopted.

The Secretary then read SR 686, designating the J. Alton Wingate, Sr. Memorial Parkway in Habersham County. Sen. **Nancy Schaefer** of the 50<sup>th</sup> took the well to present the resolution.

SR 686 was adopted by a vote of 51 to 0.

The Secretary read SR 782, relating to a joint session of the House and Senate for the purpose of hearing a message from Major General William G. Webster. Then Sen. **Johnson** spoke to the resolution. He yielded to questions from Sen. **Steve Thompson** of the 33<sup>rd</sup>.

Majority Leader **Tommie Williams** of the 19<sup>th</sup> moved that the Senate stand adjourned until Thursday, February 2 at 10:00 a.m. Following the announcements, the motion carried and the Senate stood adjourned.

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